

"Of the Year" awards

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Greetings,

It's time to be thinking of awards and recognizing Utah Wing CAP members who have gone the extra mile (or miles) in service to others.

There are a LOT of awards for almost every area of the program. There's also nothing that says you cannot suggest someone for an award or even an achievement award or commendation. For some awards, use the CAPF120 and submit them via the chain of command. For other awards, you need to prepare a narrative.

During the recognition ceremony at the past CAP National Board, a lot of awards were presented. We have members deserving of awards and, in my opinion, more deserving than some who received awards. It's all in the "selling" and "writing" of the commendation. Two sentences similar to "She's a good person and does a lot for CAP and deserves the XYZ award" don't cut it.

For example, the "communications officer of the year" narrative was seven large paragraphs long and had significant detail as to what the person did deserving of the award. Likewise the "property management officer of the year" award was five paragraphs with lots of detail and insight. It takes some effort on the part of the "nominator" to find and write the recommendation. If YOU are aware of deserving people YOU need to step up and make the recommendation!

Some months ago I prepared a "checklist" of all the various things we do month-by-month. In that checklist are a number of "of the year" awards and deadlines. Review the checklist to ensure your nominations are prepared and submitted on time. It's a team effort to suggest members for recognition, so step up and make it happen!

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